

King's Children.

PRESIDENTS REPORT.

To the King's Children of the Illiokota District in convention assembled:—greeting.

My thoughts are with you although it is absolutely necessary for my person to be elsewhere. It matters not where we are, the time comes to each, when we must render an account. My report is of necessity a poor one.

What you want to ask and will ask is, What have you done? To this I reply, We have tried hard to see to it that some new points were established. We have done all we could to get a knowledge of the workings of societies already organized. We have endeavored to keep up the district organization, and we have learned of a few things that we need. Of these I will suggest a few. We have needed a treasury since our first district organization. We have a constitution that provides for that. We need money in that treasury, and you can provide for that.

We want an organizer. That is also provided for in the new constitution. With these provided for our work will go grandly on. With a total lack of funds the work we should have done has devolved upon the National Board, causing them more work, and us more mortification. Last, elect a District Board for the ensuing year and give them your hearty support. Select for your chairman, a young man, a minister if possible, who can give time to organizing and supervising.

Whatever you shall decide for next year, count on me as a supporter.

WESLEY C. WINE.

THE SELECTION OF PROPER PERSONS FOR COMMITTEES.

HARRY HEPFER.

Every individual has a certain vocation in life. Their talent may be much or little; the qualifications of one to do one thing and that of another to do something altogether different. In selecting members for committees one should be a judge of human nature and make a study of each individual so that every one selected may be suited to the place he is expected to fill; take into consideration the position in life, as to whether they are a servant for others in worldly affairs, or are they their own master. Measure the time they may have of their own to spare without using time belonging to others. In giving this subject a more careful thought, I think it very necessary to be thoughtful in these selections; the thoughts of the righteous are right, we should be ready at

any time to work for Christ. The field for committees is widening. As we grow earnest in the work and the society grows in numbers, we find room and work for many more than at first. So in naming these committees, make one of your own, call a member or two and form a committee for this appointment. Your neighbor may see a good quality in some member that you may not see. We must think, too, of those who are weak, and a place for them, for they will grow stronger in Christ when working for him. There is a place and a work for all, if we can find it. Some can give a word or a smile to the sick much easier than others. The work of the Invitation Committee is a needful and very important one. It is something to know just when to give a pressing invitation and not offend, and there are those who can do it. Find who they are, and place them on that committee. They should be quick to note those who do not attend church and Young People's meetings and invite them in. They should let their light so shine before men that they may see their good works. In union and harmony there is strength. In conclusion let us fear God and keep his commandments for this is the whole duty of man.

PROPER ENTERTAINMENT FOR K. C. SOCIETY.

ELLEN GNAGEY.

There are different opinions in regard to K. C. entertainments. Some want nothing but singing, praying and reading the scriptures, while others want every thing but that. I think it is a good idea to have it mixed a little, have about three ounces of sobriety and one of mirth. Young people are not old people, and we must remember what would be an interesting entertainment for the old, would be very monotonous for the young, and in order to get young people to work, we must keep them encouraged. Some will ask, Is not the word of God enough to keep any one encouraged? I say, yes, with all my heart. There is more encouragement found in Gods word than in all the world outside.

There is more peace, joy, comfort and consolation in serving God, in trusting God, in loving God, than in all the entertainments you can get up. But the King's Children are not all Gods servants. And we must lay plans to draw them in, and then we must lay plans to draw outsiders into the net of the K. C.. And by having entertainments and good sociable times, we may be able to get them aroused and enthused, that they will be compelled to come. I think one way to have

a good entertainment is to have a literary program, consisting of recitations, music, select reading, essays, etc.; and have refreshments of some kind; and above all, have a good sociable time. Do not be afraid to talk to every body present. If you are not acquainted with all present introduce yourself. If your treasury is empty, charge a small admission fee, or hold a collection; but do nothing that you can not ask God's blessing upon it, always have something that is elevating, that has a tendency to build up, and draw us heavenward. The world is full of allurements to draw young people down to destruction. So when we give entertainments let us have them elevating. I do not think it prudent to hold entertainments simply to keep the treasury filled, (however it seems necessary sometimes.) I believe in giving the first and best to the Lords work, and if we would all do that, the K. C. nor any other arms of the church, will find it necessary to go begging. There is not much use in trying to work for the Lord as long as we allow the devil to hold our purse strings. However what I call a proper entertainment some one else may call improper, and they have just as much right to their opinion as I have to mine. So what we all need most is charity and a closer walk with God.

Milledgeville, Ill.

WHAT THE DOCTOR DID.

"You'd better ask the doctor for his bill next time he comes," said a poor, sick minister to his wife. "I don't know when we can pay it, I'm sure. He's made a good many visits, but I hope he won't have to come many times more."

The old doctor was a grim looking person, who said as little as possible and spoke in the gruffest of tones; but he kept his eyes, and was not half as unfeeling as he appeared.

At his next visit the minister's wife followed him out of the sickroom and timidly preferred her request.

"Your bill?" said the doctor, glancing around the kitchen, and then down at his boots.

"Yes, sir," said the woman. "Mr. Ames wanted me to ask you for it, though we can't pay it just now. We'll pay it as soon as——"

"Well, here it is," said the doctor. And he took out his pocket-book and handed the astonished woman a ten-dollar greenback, and was out of doors before she could say thank you.

"LET us alone" is the cry of evil. Extermination is the policy of the good. When evil is tolerated righteousness has taken a secondary place.